

Preliminary Information

Interviewer: collect this information on every respondent. Select a treatment group from the list of random numbers. Read the full recruitment script for that treatment group. If the respondent agrees to participate, continue with the interview. If the respondent refuses to participate, skip to the section labeled "Post-Interview Questions."

v1	Date	_____
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v2	Neighborhood	_____
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v3	[Fill in sex of respondent]	Female 1	Male 0
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v4	[Randomly assign respondent to a treatment group]				
Information International Only	1	American Embassy	2	Canadian Embassy	3
University of Maryland	4	American University in Beirut	5	American University in Beirut and University of Maryland	6

[If treatment group 1, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting?
[If treatment group 2, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon on behalf of the American Embassy. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting on behalf of the American Embassy?
[If treatment group 3, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon on behalf of the Canadian Embassy. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting on behalf of the Canadian Embassy?
[If treatment group 4, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon on behalf of the University of Maryland, a major research university in the United States. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting on behalf of the University of Maryland?
[If treatment group 5, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon on behalf of the American University of Beirut, a major research university in Lebanon. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting on behalf of the American University in Beirut?
[If treatment group 6, read:]	My name is XXXXX and I am from Information International, a survey research firm based in Beirut. We are conducting a short survey in the Greater Beirut area about current affairs in Lebanon on behalf of the American University of Beirut and the University of Maryland, which are major research universities in Lebanon and the United States. The interview should last about 15 minutes, and I will not be recording your name or any other identifying information. We will not share your answers with anyone outside the survey team, and when we write a report about this survey, your views will be strictly anonymous. Your participation is completely voluntary. You can decline to answer any questions you want, and you can end the interview at any point you want. Are you willing to participate in this survey that Information International is conducting on behalf of the American University in Beirut and the University of Maryland?

v5	<i>(Did the respondent agree or refuse to participate after hearing the <u>full</u> prompt?)</i>	<i>Agree to Participate</i> 1	<i>Refuse to Participate</i> 0
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Respondents Who Agree to Participate

Interviewer: complete these questions for respondents who agree to participate in the survey after hearing the full recruitment script. If the respondent refused to participate, skip to the section labeled "Post-Interview Questions."

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the survey. Let me first get a little bit of background information about you.

v6	How old are you?	_____
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v7	What is the highest level of education you have reached?		
	Illiterate 1	Primary 2	Secondary 3
	Bachelor's Degree 4	Master's Degree or Higher 5	(NR) -99

v8	What is your <i>family's</i> monthly income, including your own salary, contributions from other family members, government benefits, and so on? It's okay if you don't know exactly: just give me your best guess.			
	<i>under \$333</i> 1	<i>\$333 to 500</i> 2	<i>\$501 to \$1000</i> 3	<i>\$1001 to \$1500</i> 4
	<i>\$1,501 to \$3,000</i> 5	<i>\$3,001 to \$5,000</i> 6	<i>more than \$5,000</i> 7	(NA) -97 (NR) -99

v9	On an average day, how many hours is the electricity off in your home? It's okay if you don't know for sure: just give it your best guess.	_____
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v10	What is your sectarian affiliation?		
	Sunni 1	Maronite 5	Armenian Catholic 9
	Shia 2	Catholic 6	Armenian Orthodox 10
	Druze 3	Greek Orthodox 7	Minorities 11
	Alawi 4	Protestant/Evangelical 8	[if Minorities, write]: _____

v11	Let me ask you about how trustworthy you feel people are in general. Which of these two statements do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	Agree Strongly	Agree Somewhat
	You can never be too careful with people in our country these days.	1	2
	Most people in our country are generally trustworthy.	5	4
	(Not Agree With Either) 3	(DK) -98	(NR) -99

<i>v12</i>	How about just members of your own sect? Which of these two statements do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	You can never be too careful with people these days.	1	2
	Most people are generally trustworthy.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

<i>v13</i>	How about foreigners? Which of these two statements do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	You can never be too careful with foreigners these days.	1	2
	Most foreigners are generally trustworthy.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

Here are some questions about Lebanese political institutions. Many people don't know the answers to all of these questions, but even if you're not sure I'd like you to tell me your best guess.					
<i>v14a</i>	How much of a majority is needed in parliament to amend the constitution: a bare majority (50 percent plus 1), a two-thirds majority, or a three-fourths majority?	0 Majority of 50%+1	1 Two-Thirds Majority	2 Three-Fourths Majority	<i>(NR)</i> -99
<i>...b</i>	How many electoral districts were there in the 2009 elections: 5, 26, or 30?	5	26	30	<i>(NR)</i> -99
<i>...c</i>	How many sects are officially recognized in Lebanon: 16, 17, or 18?	16	17	18	<i>(NR)</i> -99

Now let me read you a few questions about politics in Lebanon.

v15	Generally speaking, how interested would you say you are in politics?				
	<i>Very interested</i> 4	<i>Interested</i> 3	<i>Little Interested</i> 2	<i>Not interested</i> 1	(DK) -98 (NR) -99

v16a	Please tell me which political party, political movement or gathering, or political leader you feel <i>closest to</i> politically.					
	<i>Future Movement / Saad Hariri</i> 1	<i>Amal Movement / Nabih Berri</i> 2	<i>Hizballah / Hassan Nasrallah</i> 3			
	<i>Progressive Socialist Party / Walid Jumblatt</i> 4	<i>Free Patriotic Movement / Michel Aoun</i> 5	<i>Lebanese Forces / Samir Geagea</i> 6			
	<i>Kataib / Amin Gemayel</i> 7	<i>March 14 Forces</i> 8	<i>March 8 Forces</i> 9			
	<i>Tashnaq</i> 10	<i>No One</i> 11	<i>Other</i> 12			
	(DK) -98	(NR) -99				
...b	(If "other," please write here):		_____			

v17	People sometimes talk about the role of foreign countries and foreign interests in Lebanese affairs. Which of these two statements do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	Lebanon and the Lebanese are in control of their own destiny, regardless of foreign interests.	1	2
	The interests of foreign countries are always decisive in Lebanese affairs, regardless of what the Lebanese want.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	(DK) -98	(NR) -99

v18	People have different views about Hizballah's weapons. Which of these two statements do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	Hizballah's military wing should begin to disarm now.	1	2
	Hizballah's military wing should keep its weapons no matter what.	5	4
	<i>[do not read:] (Hizballah should disarm gradually)</i> 3	(DK) -98	(NR) -99

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v19	As you probably know, Walid Jumblatt recently supported Najib Mikati for prime minister instead of Saad Hariri. People have different opinions about why he did that. Which of these two views do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	Jumblatt thought it was best for Lebanon.	1	2
	Jumblatt was threatened.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

v20	As you know, a new Government has recently been formed in Lebanon. What do you think about the composition of the new Government? Are you:				
	<i>Very happy</i> 4	<i>Somewhat happy</i> 3	<i>Somewhat unhappy</i> 2	<i>Very unhappy</i> 1	<i>(DK)</i> -98 <i>(NR)</i> -99

v21	Some people support the Special Tribunal, and other people oppose it. How about you? Which of these two views do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	Lebanon must fulfill its commitments on the Special Tribunal for Lebanon.	1	2
	Lebanon must abolish the Special Tribunal for Lebanon.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

v22	There has been a big debate over the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. Some people think that the Tribunal is neutral, and other people think it has been politicized. Which of these two views do you agree with most? Do you agree strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Agree Strongly</i>	<i>Agree Somewhat</i>
	The Special Tribunal for Lebanon is neutral.	1	2
	The Special Tribunal for Lebanon has been politicized.	5	4
	<i>(Not Agree With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

Different people have different opinions over who is trying to politicize the Special Tribunal for Lebanon. I'd like to get your thoughts on the matter. I'm going to give you a list of groups that people sometimes mention. For each one, please tell me if you think they are playing a big role [3], a small role [2], or no role [1] in politicizing the tribunal. [Do not read the option "the STL is not politicized," but accept the answer if the respondent gives it.]

		<i>Big Role</i>	<i>Small Role</i>	<i>No Role</i>	<i>(STL Not Politicized)</i>	<i>(DK)</i>	<i>(NR)</i>
<i>v23a</i>	March 14 Forces	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...b</i>	March 8 Forces	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...c</i>	United Nations	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...d</i>	Japan	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...e</i>	United States	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...f</i>	Israel	3	2	1	0	-98	-99
<i>...g</i>	Iran	3	2	1	0	-98	-99

<i>v24</i>	People have expressed different opinions about the unrest in Syria. Would you say you generally sympathize with the Syrian protesters, or with the Syrian government? Do you sympathize strongly or just somewhat?	<i>Sympathize Strongly</i>	<i>Sympathize Somewhat</i>
	The Syrian protesters.	1	2
	The Syrian government.	5	4
	<i>(Not Sympathize With Either)</i> 3	<i>(DK)</i> -98	<i>(NR)</i> -99

Post-Interview Questions

Interviewer: this section is for all respondents. First, read the respondent the debriefing script. Then, complete these questions after you have left the respondent's home.

READ THE DEBRIEFING SCRIPT TO THE RESPONDENT.

v25	<p><i>[If the respondent initially refused to participate after hearing the treatment prompt:]</i></p> <p>Did the respondent offer to participate in the survey <u>after</u> hearing the debriefing script?</p> <p><i>[Do not ask the respondent to reconsider, but note down if he or she offers.]</i></p>	
	Yes 1	No 0
	<p><i>(NA)</i> <i>(Respondent participated -97 in the full questionnaire)</i></p>	

v26	Was the person who you interviewed the same person who first answered the door?	Yes 1	No 0
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v27	Were there any other people immediately present who might be listening during the interview?		
	No One 1	Children Only 2	
	Spouse Only 3	Other Adults 4	

v28	If the respondent refused to participate in the survey, please give your best estimate of how old the respondent was:	_____
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v29	Based on what you could observe about the home and the respondent, please give your best estimate of the household's income on the following 7-point scale (all respondents):						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Very Poor			Average Income			Very Rich

v30	Based on what you know or could observe about the area, please give your best guess about the sectarian composition of the neighborhood:		
	Christian 1	Sunni 2	Shia 3
	Druze 4	Mixed 5	(Can't Guess) -98

v31a	Did the respondent have any political items on display <i>outside</i> the home, such as political party flags, political posters, or militia symbols?	Yes 1	No 0
..b	<i>[If yes]</i> Please describe the items (which party, which leader, etc.).		

v32a	Did the respondent have any religious items on display <i>outside</i> the home, such as pictures of religious leaders, Quranic inscriptions, or crosses?	Yes 1	No 0
..b	<i>[If yes]</i> Please describe the items.		

v33a	Did the respondent have any political items on display <i>inside</i> the home, such as political party flags, political posters, or militia symbols?	Yes 1	No 0
..b	<i>[If yes]</i> Please describe the items (which party, which leader, etc.).		

v34a	Did the respondent have any religious items on display <i>inside</i> the home, such as pictures of religious leaders, Quranic inscriptions, or crosses?	Yes 1	No 0
..b	<i>[If yes]</i> Please describe the items.		